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HISTORY OF THE  
LEISTENSNIDER FAMILY

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LEISTENSNIDER



JOHN LEISTENSNIDER was born in Germany in 1817; he emigrated to this country in the year 1836, September 9th, and first located at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, where he worked at his trade, that of tailoring, until in 1839. He was then married to Catherine Schwartz and at once moved to Lewisbury, York County, Pa., where he started in business for himself, which he carried on successfully for thirteen years. By hard labor and constant toil he accumulated a small fortune of about two thousand, four hundred dollars which he took with him to Savannah, Ashland County, Ohio, in 1852 and invested in a farm just west of the village. Here he again opened a merchant tailoring establishment, a business he followed for twenty-one years. He then disposed of his stock and moved to another farm three miles southwest of Savannah where he resided until his death twenty-two years ago the 23rd of November, his wife dying three years later.

To them were born ten children of whom all are living except two who died in infancy. Mary married William Gibson; to them were born nine children namely, Chalmer, Albert, Maggie, Harry, Frank, Elta, Flora; Nellie and Lora died in infancy.

Henry married Cora Horner; no children were born to them.

Philip married Tissie Benton; to them were born four children, Elta, Joseph and two died in infancy.

Caroline married Simon Stentz; to them were born five children, Charles, John, Harry, William and Stella.

Julia married George Johnson; to them were born three children, Ellsworth, Katharine and Flossy.



George married Mary Robertson; to them were born five children, Martha, John, Louise and two having died young.

Emma married William Buchan; to them were born five children, Ella, Carl, Clay, Alice and one having died young.

Martha married George Buchan; to them were born four boys, Harry, William, Loran and George.

There are twenty-nine grand children living of whom the following are married:

Chalmers Gibson	{	Alma	
to		Orva	Shelby, Ohio,
Mary Williams		Charmion	Third Street.

Albert Gibson	{	No children	
to			
Maude Lockley			Missoula, Montana.

Maggie Gibson	{	Josephine	Savannah, <i>Died Feb 6th</i>
to			
Frank Farquarhson		Mary Mildred	Ohio. <i>1820.</i>

Lottie Gibson	{	Ralph	
to			
Will Chambers			Savannah, Ohio.

Frank Gibson	{	Elizabeth	
		William	
to		Albert	New London, Ohio,
Martha Quinn		Marion	R. F. D.
		Gladys	

Charles Stentz	{	Amelia	Olympia,
to			
Florence Sawhill		Geraldine	Wash.

John Stentz	{	Waldo	Olympia, Wash.
to			
May Jones			Revere having died.



Harry Stentz to Nellie Nixon	{ Roy	Norwalk, Ohio.
Stella Stentz to Boyd Crouch	{ William Dorothy	Waukesha, Wis. 404 Broadway
William Stentz to Alma Beck	{	Atlanta, Georgia,
Ellsworth Johnson to Belle Donald	{	Phalanx, Ohio.
Alice Buchan to Fred Schamber	{ Leonidus	Olympia, Wash.
Martha Leistensnider to Dr. Edward Remy	{ Mariana	Mansfield, Ohio, 89 West Third Street.
John Leistensnider to Anna Touby	{ George Ruth One dead.	Mansfield, Ohio, 87 Greenwood Ave.
Louise Leistensnider to John Friday	{ Raymond <i>Herbert</i>	Mansfield, Ohio, R. F. D. No. 7.
Joseph Leistensnider to Mary Crooks	{ Ruth	Savannah, Ohio.
Harry Buchan to Alice Palmer	{ Martha	Indianapolis, Ind. 3151 Ruckle St.
Loran Buchan to Esther Them	{	Cleveland, Ohio, 4811 Carnegie Ave.



Our subject John Leistensnider labored under more than ordinary disadvantages and is entitled to a great deal of credit for the success which he attained, born of poor parents and with but little opportunity for schooling. He raised himself by hard toil and industry and good management from a poor boy with nine coppers in his pockets, when he landed in Baltimore, to one of the most substantial and leading citizens of Clearcreek Township. Mr. Leistensnider was a man of good judgment, independent in thought and action, honorable and courteous and highly regarded by all who knew him.

Adam Leistensnider was born in New Bariva, Germany, February 20th, 1805. He was married to Louise Eichenlamb May 5th, 1828. They sailed for America on "The Richmond" July 8th, 1836, landed at Baltimore September 9th, 1836. After living there for some time he saw fit to drop the Leisten from his name and ever after went by the name of Snyder. He died January 1st, 1865, in California, his wife died June 21st, 1885. To them were born ten children namely, Philip H., Jacob L., John W., Nicholas J., Louisa, Mary, Adam, Christian, Caroline and Angeline.

Philip H. died in Germany July 28th, 1834.

Jacob L. was married to Sarah Huckell; to them were born two children, William H. and George W. William died, George married and has two daughters who live in Forksville, Pa. Jacob's wife died November 26, 1861. He then married another Sarah Huckell to them were born one son dying in infancy.

John W. married Harriet Huckell; to them were born four children namely, Elmer, Mary, John and Ida.

Elmer married and has seven children.

Mary married, no children.

John married, no children.

Ida married and has two children, all of these live in California.





John W.'s wife died and he then married a Mrs. Neely Brow. John died September 3, 1911. His second wife also died in 1910.

Nicholas J. married Margaret Tulle; to them were born four children, Mary, Anna and Charles are dead. Catherine married and has one child; they reside in Canton, Pa.

Louisa married Henry Suiger they were divorced, she then married Benjamin Forstner, he died and she then married a Mr. Hamilton now divorced and she resides in Salem, Oregon.

Mary married David Feichner; one son was born to them who died in infancy. Her husband also died and she married George Ordish, he died and she married Horatio McGeorge, now dead. She resides at Pacific Grove, California.

Adam married Clara Rickey; to them were born four children, Edna, Walter, Ethel and Alta.

Edna married has no children.

Ethel married no children.

Alta married has one child.

These all live near Salem, Oregon.

Christian married Alice Bourk to them were born two children, Sarah and Lyman.

Sarah married has three children.

Lyman married has two children.

Christian's wife Alice died, he then married Susie Dye; she also died and he married a Mrs. Mary Murdock. Lyman lives in Eldersville, Pa., and the rest of the family in California.

Caroline married Anthony Weigand; to them were born seven children namely, George W. and Laura May, both dead. Amy Bell, Louise, Cordelia, Philip and Viola.

Amy Bell is married has three children.

Louise is married has no children.

Viola is married, one child.

These all live in Oregon.



Angeline married John Knight; to them were born three children, Benjamin, Edna and Claude. Benjamin is dead and Claude is married and lives in Dalles, Oregon. The rest of this family live at Portland Oregon.

This is as much of a history as we can give you except that John Leistensnider had a sister who married a man by the name of Snyder. To them were born one son who is now at the "Old People's Home" in Pittsburg quite feeble. His wife having died a short time ago.

LIST OF DEAD SINCE HAVING WRITTEN ABOVE

George Leistensnider died August 5, 1911, age 59 years.

Caroline Stentz died February 15, 1914, age 72 years.

Will Buchan died May — 1914.

Mary Gibson died July 11, 1914, age 74 years.

Gone but not forgotten.

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SCHWARTZ

Philip Schwartz came to America in 1836 and located in Harrisburg, Pa. He was the father of four children, George, Philip, Lizzie and Catherine who became the wife of John Leistensnider. He was a shoe maker by trade. He came to Ohio with his daughter Catherine where he made his home until his death in the year 1870, aged 79 years.

His son George married Mary Shires; to them were born seven children, five boys and two girls namely, George J., August A., Nathaniel H., Henrietta J., John C., William W., and Ida May.



George J. married Jennie Foss; to them were born three children, George, Julius and Arthur who died in infancy. George married Emma Houghton, they live in Illinois. Julius married Dorothy Shires they live at Colorado Estes Park, Colo.

August married Henrietta Koch of Cincinnati; they had three daughters, Lottie, Flora and Gertie; they are now living in Chicago. August is dead, having died twelve years ago in Colorado.

Nathaniel never married and is now dead.

John married they had four children John C. Jr., Leroy, Margaret and Jessie. John died four years ago, Henrietta married James Bray to them were born three children, Nathaniel H., James Morton and Jennie C.

Nathaniel Bray	{	James III	Middletown, Ohio,
to			Garfield, Ave.
Carrie Meikel		Jennie having died at age of 21 months.	

James Bray	{	James IIII	5812 Margaretta,
to			Pittsburg, Pa.
Henrietta C. Mason			

Jennie Bray	{	
to		
William Sefton		Pittsburg, Pa.

We do not know who Philip married. They had no children and he is now dead.

Lizzie married a man by the name of Lismond. They had one daughter Lizzie who married a man by the name of Gardner. They live some place in Pennsylvania.















